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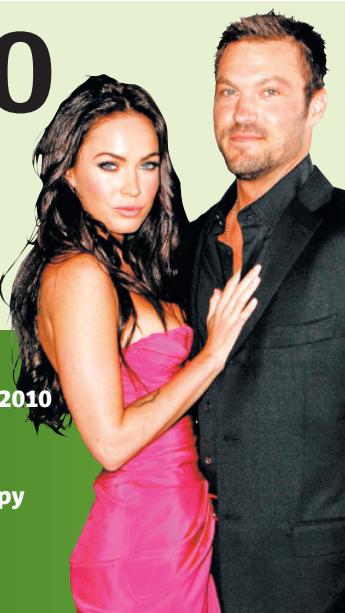
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Her Majesty casts eye on flotilla

Queen Elizabeth II smiles during a walkabout following an international fleet review yesterday in Halifax. More coverage, page 13.

Cabbies crowding the core

► Influx of taxis seen in downtown parking spots since awarding of airport contract ► New stands may be built ► No rules against cabbies taking spaces: City

Taxis have taken over the core, and downtown dwellers say public parking spots are being swallowed up.

City traffic manager Troy McLeod said he's aware of more taxis using downtown parking spaces since Associated Cabs was awarded the airport contract.

"Anecdotally we have noticed a higher presence of taxis downtown, and that could be due to displacement, but also tourism season is here and (there is) a higher demand," McLeod said.

In the meantime, five or six new taxi stands could be built to ease congestion by mid-July, but McLeod said there are no rules against cabbies taking up park-

"Anecdotally we have noticed a higher presence of taxis downtown ... (Cabbies) pay for their time, just like everyone else."

TROY MCLEOD, CITY TRAFFIC MANAGER

ing spaces.

"They pay for their time, just like everyone else."

The Calgary Parking Authority says it has been receiving a greater number of complaints about taxis waiting in Park-Plus spaces.

● KRISTA SYLVESTER

Canada Day

Metro will not publish tomorrow, Canada Day. We will return Friday. See pages 6, 7 and 9 for our Canada Day coverage.

Iceland's hot

Despite flight-grounding clouds of ash, volcanic activity can provide tons of fun for travellers. {page 27}

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Fans watch Spain, Portugal clash



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They may be neighbours geographically but these two teams have a deep-rooted rivalry amongst their fans — at least in Calgary.

As Spain took on Portugal in World Cup action yesterday, fans clad in similarly coloured red jerseys took to pubs to watch the

action.

Spain fan Paúl Lara spent the lunch hour eating wings and watching the game at Melrose on 17th.

He said while he doesn't hate Portugal, he was definitely cheering loud when Spain beat their close neighbours 1-0 to advance to play Paraguay in the quarter-finals.

"There is that rivalry because they are so close,

and that's what happens, but I'm so happy they won. I think Spain is a really good and fast young team," Lara said.

Portugal fans were not as happy to see their team lose, but Neddal Assaf said he has other teams to cheer for now.

"I really am going for Brazil now. I would have liked to seen Portugal, but I think now I will keep cheering for Brazil."



► Paúl Lara cheers on Spain at Melrose as they beat Portugal yesterday to advance to the quarter-finals in World Cup soccer action.



Erasing graffiti fines

► **Bylaw Services wants to lower biggest fine from \$5,000 to \$1,500**



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City of Calgary Bylaw Services is recommending a proposal to drop the maximum fines for graffiti from their current \$5,000 down to a range of \$500 to \$1,500.

Bill Bruce, the director of Animal and Bylaw Services, said there was a reluctance to apply this penalty, and a more flexible fine would allow some discretion by the court.

"Quite often when they go to court, they end up getting it reduced or being found not guilty," he said.

He said most people go to court because they can't afford the ticket, but with a lower penalty less people would fight it. "We're really finding there's no evidence to suggest the \$5,000 fine is really changing people's behaviour," said Bruce.

Citations

- Bylaw Services hands out around 85 citations for graffiti each year.
- Ald. John Mar says the fines are too lenient and the problem should be solved in the court system instead of having the penalty lowered: "When a municipality makes a law, society's intent should be followed through in the court system."
- Bill Bruce from Bylaw Services said the automatic fine would be lower, but he could still issue much higher tickets for serious offences.

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The amount the city spends each year on graffiti cleanup.



► Graffiti fines are on the minds of a city committee today.

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SpinDoctor on the damage done to Harper's G20 accomplishments by violent protests



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Vampire fix

Local "Twihards" started lining up at the Chinook Centre Cineplex movie theatre at noon yesterday to snag prime seats for the third film in the



Twilight series, Eclipse. Fans didn't have to wait until the midnight showing to get their vampire fix, as the theatre screened the first two movies starting at 7 p.m.

"It's a guilty pleasure," said Team Jacob member Gaby Chinea, 20.

● JESSICA PICHE

AHS gives nod to \$11.2B budget

Alberta Health Services approved an \$11.2-billion expense budget that will focus on two areas specifically.

Reducing emergency wait times and improving choice for Alberta's seniors are the two priorities, according to a release from AHS.

The budget is a five-year funding plan that will go towards creating

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additional beds in continuing-care facilities, which will in turn free up more hospital beds.

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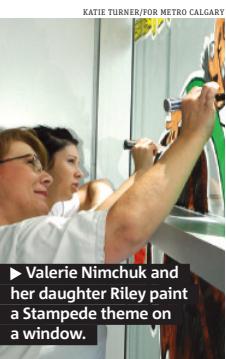
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Yee haw, it's that time of year again

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► Buildings all over Calgary get into the Stampede spirit — one of the annual traditions leading up to the Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth.



► Valerie Nimchuk and her daughter Riley paint a Stampede theme on a window.

- Stampede runs July 9 to July 18
- Million plus expected to attend



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"It's something we certainly love to see around Stampede time and how the companies and the people of Calgary embrace the Stampede."

DOUG FRASER,
CALGARY STAMPEDE SPOKESPERSON

As Stampede creeps closer, the city is slowly becoming filled with brightly coloured windows, random bales of hay and rickety old wooden fences.

While those small pieces of Western décor may look out of place next to the city's skyscrapers, they help to get Calgarians into the Stampede mood, said Stampede's spokesperson Doug Fraser.

"Calgary Stampede isn't just a celebration on the park, it's a citywide celebration," he said.

"When they're putting up Western decorations they're really speaking to the heart of Stampede and what it really is and that's a community celebration."

Fraser said that window painting has become a long-standing tradition in the city and has become more popular over the years.

Carolyn Macdonald of the Downtown Calgary Association said the atmosphere in the downtown core changes during the lead up to Stampede.

"It definitely creates excitement," she said. "It shows Calgarians and tourists alike, just how much the city embraces the Calgary Stampede and how much everyone enjoys participating in it."

'Cool Stampede images' fun for duo

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Cartoon images of bulls, cowboys and all things Stampede are making their way onto Calgary windows, sending business skyrocketing for one Calgary window painter.

After painting windows for around 10 years, Valerie Nimchuk of No Limit

Artistic Design said she couldn't sustain her business without Stampede season.

"I can pretty well draw anything so I thought 'Why not do all these cool Stampede images?' I get to colour and draw all day, it's a pretty fun job."

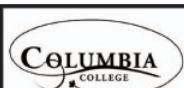
From the beginning of June right up until Stampede, Nimchuk said she and her daughter Riley,

who helps her paint, are booked solid.

"My whole month is basically full," she said.

"Sometimes I'll do two or three businesses a day depending on how many windows they have to do."

Nimchuk estimated that Stampede painting accounts for more than 50 per cent of her total business.



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Interview



MEET A NEW CANADIAN

Name: Richard Holden
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Homeland: Preston, Northwest England
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Why did you choose to come to Canada?

Canada looked like a place with a lot of opportunity, options for professional people.

What was your first impression when you came to Canada?

Everything was so big. Spaces and vehicles and houses — everything was so much bigger and

spread out.

What's the one thing you love most about living in Calgary?

The friends and contacts that I've made since I've been here; it's what's kept me here.

What's the one thing you still find a little bit strange (about Canada)?

I guess I've been here long enough to accept things as being 'normal'.

What are three words you'd use to describe your new home?

Friendly, would be one. Diverse. Outdoorsy.

● DARRON KRAUSE

High school eyes fake turf for field

► Turf needs less upkeep ► Arena saw fewer 911 calls after upgrade



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West Calgary High School's athletes will eventually be punting, sliding and rolling on fake grass if a committee passes a proposal today to install artificial turf on their field.

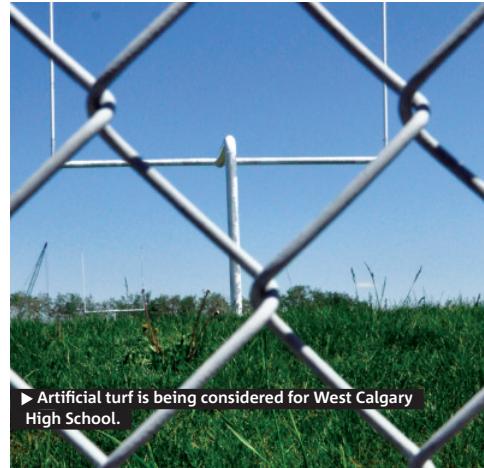
Although it's more expensive, a turf field becomes three times more useful while requiring less maintenance and resources, according to Shelly Shea, a WinSport Canada spokesperson.

\$2M

The field itself is expected to cost between \$1.8 and \$2 million.

"You can start as soon as the snow melts and keep going till it starts flying again," said Shea.

She also said the fake turf reduces injuries: "At Shouldice, we found a very big decrease in our number of ambulance calls."



► Artificial turf is being considered for West Calgary High School.



You get what you pay for and if you put in a good quality artificial turf field, the longevity is more, maintenance is less and it can be used for longer — it just makes sense."

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City should team up for funds: Hehr


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Calgary should lead a more unified approach to demand additional provincial funding, says a mayoral candidate.

Kent Hehr, a provincial MLA, said yesterday Calgary city council should be doing more to access provincial government funding by teaming up with other Alberta municipalities from the Calgary-Edmonton Corridor (CEC).

"As mayor of Calgary, I would host a meeting of Alberta mayors along the CEC in January to share



► Mayoral candidate Kent Hehr says he's got a better way to get money from the province.



common concerns and develop a strong unified ap-

proach," Hehr said, adding he would want the summit

to be an annual meeting between Calgary, Edmon-

"Calgary is the largest city in terms of population and economic output in the region and it is in a unique position to offer leadership. We need that leadership now."

KENT HEHR, PROVINCIAL MLA AND MAYORAL CANDIDATE

ton and Red Deer.

"Calgary is the largest city in terms of population and economic output in the region and is in a unique position to offer leadership. We need that leadership now."

Hehr says the city is missing out of economic opportunities because of strained relationships between municipalities along the corridor and con-

tinued clashes with the provincial government.

"This council has not built strong relationships with its regional partners."

Calgary's population density of 1,000 persons per square kilometre is low on the list of major North American cities, yet traffic gridlock is regularly mentioned as a top concern of citizens, according to Hehr.



► Right-wing U.S. pundit Ann Coulter stoked controversy during her March campus tour in Canada.

Records show university debated Ann Coulter return

► Emails show University of Ottawa president wanted pundit to revisit ► Advisers warned of 'news event'

The president of the University of Ottawa wanted to invite Ann Coulter, the abrasive right-wing American commentator, back to campus after her scheduled speech last March was shut down amid fierce protests.

But Allan Rock's advisers talked him out of it, warning that Coulter's appearance would only turn into another media circus, newly disclosed documents show. "An invitation to Ms. Coulter to return to the campus would demonstrate good faith on the part of the university and an unqualified commitment to freedom of expression," Rock wrote in an email to senior university officials on March 24.

That was the day after the speech was cancelled because of raucous anti-

"Should she decide to take you up on the offer (of returning), her appearance will become a live news event that she will cynically use to personal advantage to extend her sense of grievance and victimization and amplify her profile ... It will be her win, not about your gesture."

CONSULTANT ELLY ALBOIM, IN AN EMAIL TO UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA PRESIDENT ALLAN ROCK, REGARDING ROCK'S INVITATION TO U.S. CONSERVATIVE PUNDIT ANN COULTER TO RETURN TO SPEAK ON CAMPUS

Coulter protests outside the university's auditorium.

But several advisers, including Elly Alboim of the consulting firm Earscliffe Strategy Group, strongly advised against the move.

"My own personal view is that, on balance, I would not reinvite her," Alboim said in an email to Rock.

"Should she decide to take you up on the offer,

her appearance will become a live news event that she will cynically use to personal advantage to extend her sense of grievance and victimization and amplify her profile ... It will be her win, not about your gesture."

University records were obtained by The Canadian Press under Ontario's freedom-of-information law.

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UN: Gangs make \$3B a year in human trafficking

Traffickers who subject women and children to prostitution and forced labour are engaged in one of Europe's most lucrative crimes — a \$3 billion US a year, modern-day slave trade whose victims are growing by 50 per cent annually, a United Nations agency said yesterday.

The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime estimated that more than 140,000 people are currently controlled by organized gangs. Many victims are tricked into leaving lives of poverty in eastern Europe, Africa and Latin America with bogus promises of work.

"Europeans believe that slavery was abolished centuries ago. But look around — slaves are in our midst," UNODC executive director

51%

Of human trafficking victims in Europe come from the Balkan countries or the former Soviet Union, with another 13 per cent coming from Latin America, according to the UN.

Antonio Maria Costa said in a statement accompanying the report.

Costa said one big problem is that governments in industrialized countries have only recently passed tougher laws to crack down on trafficking in people.

"It is a very recent recognition of a very old problem," Costa said later to

The Associated Press, adding that arrests and convictions of traffickers are rare. "I could count them on one hand."

Worldwide, his agency estimated several million people have fallen victim to traffickers.

American actress Mira Sorvino, who serves as a goodwill ambassador for the UN agency, said she met in Madrid with women who have been rescued from trafficking gangs in Spain and their stories were heartbreakingly.

One Romanian woman was beaten so badly while being smuggled to Spain that her ribs were broken. Despite the injury, she still had to service clients in a roadside brothel while she recovered, Sorvino said.

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Fines overturned on casino

Attack blamed on Maoists

Dozens of rebels killed

A \$25,000 fine the Canadian government imposed on Atlantic City's Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa for flying top gamblers to and from Montreal and Toronto has been overturned. A Canadian appeals panel ruled because the flights were

private and not open to the general public, the Borgata did not need a Canadian aviation licence. The Canadian Transportation Agency cited the Borgata for 10 flights its two private jets made between Atlantic City and Montreal or Toronto.

The agency said the Borgata needed a Canadian licence. But the casino appealed, and won, convincing an appeals panel last month that the private flights are not covered by Canada's licence law.

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Maoist rebels killed at least 27 paramilitary troops in an ambush in eastern India yesterday, the latest in a series of bold attacks by the guerrillas, a senior police official said.

A 50-strong patrol of the Central Reserve Police Force was ambushed yesterday evening on a routine patrol in a densely forested area in the Narayanpur district of Chhattisgarh state, said Sunder Raj, the police official.

Ten other troops were wounded, he said.

Few other details were immediately available from the remote area. It is a stronghold of the rebels, who are also called Naxals, after the village of Naxalbari where their movement started in the 1970s.

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A Congolese general says the army has killed 80 rebels from neighbouring Rwanda and Uganda who crossed into volatile eastern Congo.

Gen. Amuli Bahigwa said yesterday the army killed the rebels in an operation that started June 1.

He said four soldiers were killed and that Ugandan rebels killed eight civilians. Eastern Congo has been wracked by violence since Rwanda's 1994 genocide spilled war across the border.

Ugandan rebels have spread their 20-year fight to Congo, Sudan and Central African Republic. Today is Congo's 50th anniversary of independence from Belgium.

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HAPPY 143RD, CANADA

Opinion

PAUL SULLIVAN



"We are the 'What' in 'What's New'"

—Shane Koyczan, Canadian Slam Poet

It's a great day to be Canadian. It's our 143rd birthday, which makes us a mere infant compared to all those places we're originally from. But look at it this way: while they're sitting on their, um, traditions, we're on our feet and underway.

It's a brand new day.

In London, they're celebrating Canada in Trafalgar Square, handing out Tim Hortons coffee and playing the Trafalgar Cup Street Hockey tournament.

In Beijing, they're having one of the largest outdoor events of the year, which in China is saying something, complete with a traditional Canadian (?) hot chili pepper eating contest.

New York has five, count 'em five,

Canada Day parties, and in Sydney, Australia, they're serving that Great Canadian drink, the bloody Caesar, importing 100 litres of clamato juice especially for the occasion.

Today is the day we leave our hyphen at home and celebrate those things we have in common, not those that make us different. The other 364 days of the year, we have the freedom to celebrate who we are, wherever we're from: Euro-Indo-Afro-Asian- or even Uno- (as in First) Canadians. Myself, I'm usually Irish-English-French Canadian perhaps with a dash of Uno- but today I'm 360° Canadian.

In the words of Shane Koyczan, that guy who blew us all away with his "We are More" poem at the opening ceremony of the 2010 Winter Games:

"We are the true north/strong and free.

And what's more/is that we didn't just say it.
We made it be."

Far and wide

Metro asked people across the country about what makes them proud to be Canadian on this Canada Day.



Commander Rowland Marshall (Ret.)

HALIFAX

"Canada is a wonderful, free, open country. And we're treating our diverse immigrants well, or relatively well."



Vanessa Boucher

CALGARY

"Freedom of everything. Freedom of expression. We have a lot of resources and we have a lot of beautiful places in Canada."



► The Maple Leaf on display before a Toronto FC soccer game this season. It became our official flag in what year?

CANADA DAY QUIZ

Courtesy Megan Siegel, CanadianLiving.com

1. Canada is a bilingual country, but what is the only official bilingual province?

- a) Quebec
- b) New Brunswick
- c) Ontario
- d) New Brunswick

2. What is the oldest walled city that still exists north of Mexico?

- a) Montreal
- b) Halifax
- c) Quebec City
- d) Vancouver

3. Whose face is on the Canadian hundred-dollar bill?

- a) Wilfred Laurier
- b) John A. MacDonald
- c) William Lyon Mackenzie King
- d) Robert Borden

4. What is Canada's national sport?

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- b) Lacrosse
- c) Curling
- d) None of the above
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United they stand, divided they fight

► Vandals clash with police during general strike in Greece ► Protesters angry at proposed labour reforms

Dozens of masked youths clashed with police at a union protest yesterday in Athens during the country's fifth general strike this year against the cash-strapped government's planned pension and labour reforms.

Riot police fired tear gas and stun grenades to disperse troublemakers who threw chunks of marble smashed off metro station entrances and set garbage bins on fire.

Running clashes continued along a major avenue — lined with shuttered shops and banks — as riot

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The number of protesters detained, six of whom were arrested, according to police.

ers armed with wooden clubs made repeated sallies against police.

Yesterday's clashes were far more muted than the riots that erupted during a previous general strike on May 5, when three people died after becoming trapped in a bank torched

by rioters.

The violence came as some 10,000 people took part in a demonstration organized by the country's two main labour unions and fringe left-wing groups.

Unions fiercely oppose draft legislation submitted to parliament last week that would increase retirement ages and make it cheaper for companies to fire workers.

The measures are aimed at fixing the country's debt crisis, which has shaken the entire euro zone.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

G20 PROTEST AFTERMATH

T.O. courts clogged after G20

A Toronto courthouse groaned yesterday following the mass arrests related to the weekend's violent G20 protests.



► Free at last.

It was another chaotic day as harried lawyers huddled with bewildered family members or sprinted

down the corridor to a hearing while friends and supporters milled around the north-end building.

"I feel like a human again," Courtney Winkels said, describing sleeping in a portable bathroom at the special detention centre because the concrete floor in the cell was too uncomfortable.

About 700 people were arrested over the weekend. Many were released unconditionally. It's unknown how many face charges. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Cambodia PM gets H1N1 scare

Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen and three of his cabinet ministers have contracted swine flu and the premier is recovering after several days of medical care, the Health Ministry said yesterday.

A government statement said the prime minister received treatment and is "back to normal." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Queen saddened by soldiers' deaths



► Queen Elizabeth II receives flowers from Second World War veteran Allan Tanner following an international fleet review yesterday in Halifax.

► Monarch offers condolences ► Troops' bodies return to Canada

The Queen joined Canadians yesterday in expressing condolences over the deaths last week of two Canadian soldiers in Afghanistan.

In a private message to their commanding officers, the Queen, who is on a visit to Canada, asked that her condolences be conveyed to their families.

The bodies of Master Cpl. Kristal Giesebricht and Pte. Andrew Miller arrived at CFB Trenton, Ont., aboard a military plane, before their caskets were taken along the "Highway of Heroes" to Toronto.

The two medical technicians were serving with the Task Force Kandahar Health Services Unit.

As has become customary, scores of people lined overpasses over Highway 401 to show their support for the soldiers.

Soldiers

► Explosion Master Cpl. Kristal Giesebricht, 34, and Pte. Andrew Miller, 21, died Saturday when a roadside bomb exploded near Kandahar City.

► Heavy toll Their deaths brought to 150 the number of Canadian soldiers killed on the Afghan mission since its start in 2002.

Also parked on an overpass was a bright CP Rail locomotive adorned with Maple Leafs.

Railway workers stood nearby, with a sign saying "We Support Our Troops."

The procession route also included the newly dubbed "Route of Heroes" through Toronto to the coroner's office.

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QUEBEC

Price cut riles drug makers

The Quebec government's decision to lower prices on generic drugs has ignited angry reaction from manufacturers and threatens the profits of the province's pharmacy leader, Jean Coutu.

Generic drug

manufacturers warned yesterday that they could be forced to reduce investment and employment in Quebec in response to the province's decision to ensure it continues to offer the lowest drug prices in Canada.

The manufacturers also told a news conference they would submit a \$60-million bill for distribution costs they have absorbed if they don't receive offsets.

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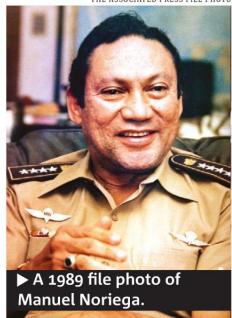
Noriega dismisses laundering charges

Relishing the chance to defend himself in court, former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega boasted yesterday of his one-time international stature and decried the United States as the mastermind of a "conspiracy" that has kept him behind bars for two decades.

Speaking in a booming voice and gesticulating animatedly, the 76-year-old delivered an hour-long monologue that started with his rise from a "modest family" to the summits of power in 1983 and lingered on the details of his long, friendly relationship

"I am a victim of the same conspiracy that the United States brought against me."

MANUEL NORIEGA



with the U.S. government — including the CIA. He also gave his take on why the relationship soured.

But when the judges pressed him with questions pertaining to the charges against him — that he laundered drug money in France in the late 1980s — Noriega clammed up, insisting he couldn't recall his finan-

cial doings at the time.

Noriega was deposed after a 1989 U.S. invasion and went on to spend two decades behind bars in Florida for drug trafficking. In April, he was extradited to France to face charges that he laundered profits from cocaine trafficking through French banks.

Those charges, he said, were nothing more than "an imaginary financial setup."

"I am a victim of the same conspiracy that the United States brought against me," said Noriega, who faces up to 10 years in prison and multimillion-dollar fines in France if convicted.

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India breeds bird in captivity

The long-billed vulture, one of the world's most endangered birds, has been bred in captivity for the first time in India, scientists said yesterday.

The three chicks that hatched in February and March in a breeding centre in northern India belong to one of three species of Asian vultures facing extinction. All of the baby birds had fledged — or taken their first flight by Monday. The World Conservation Union has

60,000 — The number of the three species of vultures is below, says Britain's Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, which provides funds and technical expertise to the Indian breeding program.

listed the three Indian vulture species as critically endangered, the category applied closest to extinction. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

LAW

Court out of drug dispute

The U.S. Supreme Court is staying out of a dispute between Nigerian families and Pfizer,

Inc., over the drug maker's use of a new antibiotic on children during a deadly outbreak of meningitis in the mid-1990s. The justices yesterday rejected the pharmaceutical giant's appeal of a court ruling that allowed the lawsuits in U.S. courts to go forward. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



► Mourners in Wootton Bassett, England, pay respects during the repatriation of slain servicemen in Afghanistan.

PAYING RESPECTS

G20 security rule never existed

The expiration of the five-metre rule that had Toronto residents fearing arrest if they strayed too close to the G20 security perimeter came with a startling revelation yesterday — it never existed.

The rule seemed straight forward when the news broke last Friday that

the Ontario government made a regulatory change to a little-known act in secret.

Come within five metres of the summit security fence and you'd better have some identification or risk arrest.

The temporary regula-

tion, which was passed in secret June 2, did decree that all streets and sidewalks inside the fence were a public work until 11:59 p.m. Monday. Under the Ontario Public Works Protection Act, that allowed police to search people trying to enter that area. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Premier mum

McGuinty doesn't speak on secret change.

► Premier Dalton McGuinty still hasn't explained why cabinet passed the regulation change in secret, and then kept it secret.

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Spy ring's money man nabbed abroad

► Man, purported to be Canadian, was last of 11 suspects to be captured in Russian ring ► Debacle threatens U.S.-Russian relations



A shadowy money man for a Russian spy ring whose members were assigned a decade or more ago to infiltrate American society has been captured overseas, authorities said yesterday. He was the last of 11 suspects named in a huge bust that threatens to tear recently mending relations between the U.S. and Russia.

The 11th suspect, using

the name Christopher Metso and purporting to be a Canadian citizen, was arrested at the Larnaca airport in Cyprus while trying to fly to Budapest, Hungary, police in the Mediterranean island country said. He was later released on bail. Metso, 54, was among those named in complaints unsealed Monday in federal court in Manhattan. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

I spy...

More details from the spy ring arrest fallout.

► Relations Russia's Foreign Ministry acknowledged yesterday that those arrested included Russian citizens but insisted they did nothing to hurt U.S.

interests.

► Subverted? The ministry still angrily denounced the arrests as an unjustified throwback to the Cold War, and senior legislators said some in the U.S. government may be trying to undercut U.S. President Barack Obama.

'They came to attack summit'

Arrows with flammable tips, bear spray and tire irons were among the weapons seized from G20 protesters intent on wreaking havoc in Toronto, the city's top cop said yesterday.

Chief Bill Blair defend-

ed his force amid a storm of controversy over police tactics and the hundreds of arrests made during the summit, and displayed the cache of seized items — including a chain-mail vest — to support his case.

"They came to attack the summit," Blair told a news conference.

At least two of the items on display — a chainsaw and a crossbow — were not G20 related, Blair conceded.

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News in brief

Deal a chance for politician: N.B. premier

FUNDING. New Brunswick Premier Shawn Graham says a deal for the harbour bridge in Saint John would be a chance for federal cabinet minister Keith Ashfield to defuse allegations of political interference in funding an-

nouncements in the province.
THE CANADIAN PRESS

China upset with Google

INTERNET. China is threatening to revoke Google's business licence over the company's decision to redirect Chinese traffic to computers in Hong Kong that are not governed by the communist government's censorship practices.
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Farrakhan sends scathing letter to U.S. Jewish groups

Nation of Islam Minister Louis Farrakhan has written the leaders of more than a dozen major U.S. Jewish groups and denominations seeking "repair of my people from the damage" he claims Jews have caused blacks for centuries.

Farrakhan sent the letter along with two books from the Nation of Islam Historical Research Team that the minister said prove "an undeniable record of Jewish Anti-Black behaviour," starting with the slave trade and laws that discriminated against blacks.

"We could charge you with being the most deceitful so-called friend, while your history with us shows you have been our worst enemy," he wrote. Farrakhan has long accused Jews of wrongdoing in speeches; rarely has he addressed Jewish groups so directly in writing. The Anti-Defamation League, a Jewish civil rights group that distributed the letter, said in a statement yesterday that Farrakhan's "anti-Semitism is obsessive, diabolical and

Recurring theme

Farrakhan has a history of controversial comments.

- **On Jews and Hitler** He has referring to Judaism as a "gutter religion" and called Adolf Hitler "wickedly great."
- **On Jews and Iran** Recent-

unrestrained. He has opened a new chapter in his ministry where scapegoating Jews is not just part of a message, but the message."

In the letter, dated last Thursday, the Chicago-based Nation of Islam leader said he sought a dialogue with Jews. He sent the letter to groups including the Orthodox and Reform movements, the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, and the American Jewish Committee, a New York-based advocacy and humanitarian non-profit that spearheads inter-religious dialogue.

"This is an offer asking you and the gentiles whom you influence to help me in

ly, he has railed against the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, which he claims is conspiring to trap the U.S. in a war with Iran.

- **Rehash** Farrakhan echoed similar comments last Saturday in an Atlanta speech titled, "Who Are the Real Children of Israel?"

the repair of my people from the damage that has been done by your ancestors to mine," he writes. "Your present reality is sitting on top of the world in power, with riches and influences, while the masses of my people ... are in the worst condition of any member of the human family."

He did not respond to several messages seeking comment yesterday. Farrakhan has over the years denied claims of anti-Semitism, arguing his remarks are often taken out of context and that criticism of Jews in any light earns the "anti-Semitic" label.

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General can retire with all four stars

► Despite having been fired, McChrystal won't lose rank ► Firing came after remarks made to magazine

Gen. Stanley McChrystal, fired from his job as commander of the Afghanistan war after more than three decades in the army, will be allowed to retire at the rank of four stars.

White House spokesman Robert Gibbs said yesterday that the White House will do what it can to ensure McChrystal keeps that rank. McChrystal had been a four-star general for just over a year when President Barack Obama demanded his resignation as Afghan war commander because of scornful remarks made to



► Gen. Stanley McChrystal

four-star officer to retain that rank, with its higher prestige and de-

The army has been 55-year-old McChrystal's only career. He is being replaced by Gen. David Petraeus, who was his boss at U.S. Central Command.

At his confirmation hearing yesterday, Petraeus used his opening remarks to pay tribute to his former colleague.

"We now see some areas of progress amidst the tough fight ongoing in Afghanistan," Petraeus said. "Considerable credit for that must go to Stan McChrystal." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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ENVIRONMENT

Pipeline project has flaws

The Pembina Institute says the proposed environmental assessment of an oilsands pipeline between Alberta and B.C. has major flaws when compared to another proposed pipeline.

Karen Campbell, lawyer for the think-

tank, says the joint review panel for the Enbridge Northern Gateway Project includes only three people and none from B.C.

Campbell says there's only one First Nations person despite the fact the pipeline would affect at least 64 First Nations communities.

Campbell says a joint review panel for the Mackenzie Gas Project includes seven people, three of whom are aboriginal and from the Northwest Territories.

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Steel firm to appeal ruling

United States Steel Corp. says it will challenge the Federal Court of Canada's decision to uphold the Investment Canada Act, the company's latest move in a feud with Ottawa over its alleged violations of the act.

Erin DiPietro, spokeswoman for the Pittsburgh-based steel giant, said yesterday the company has filed a notice of appeal on the June 14 ruling that allows the federal government to proceed with a lawsuit against the company.

Ottawa argues the compa-

ny's shutdown of mills in the Ontario communities of Hamilton and Nanticoke during the 2008-09 recession breaks employment and production promises made when the U.S. steel producer acquired the former Stelco Inc. in 2007.

If the steelmaker is found to have illegally broken promises it made to Ottawa when it bought Stelco for more than \$1 billion, it could face a multimillion-dollar fine or be forced to sell its Canadian assets.

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Syn crude's new chief brings Asian experience

The incoming boss of Syncrude Canada Ltd. most recently held a management role at a major Chinese refining and petrochemical venture.

Scott Sullivan, who takes over the oilsands giant this week, served as deputy general manager of the Fujian Refining and Petrochemical Co., a joint-venture between ExxonMobil Corp., Chinese state-owned firm Sinopec, Saudi Aramco and the province of Fujian.

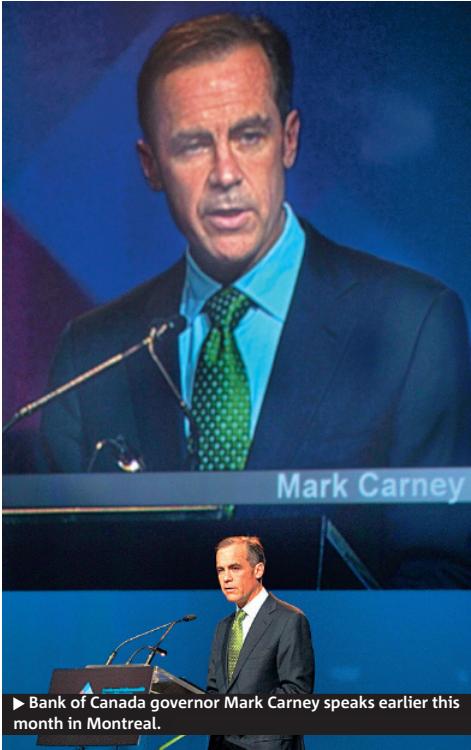
Syncrude spokesman Alain Moore said Sullivan's "experience period" makes him right to take over from current president and chief executive Tom Katinas.

"He's had a lot of senior management roles in the Exxon organization throughout the world and he has a lot to offer Syncrude in a leadership position providing that expertise he's gained by working around the globe," said Moore.

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Bank boss gets nod from abroad

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► **Head of central bank appointed to global financial watchdog**

Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney's star keeps rising in international circles.

The 45-year-old former Goldman Sachs executive has been appointed chair of the Committee on the Global Financial System, a position held by Donald Kohn of the U.S. Federal Reserve system the past three years.

The committee — part of the Bank of International Settlements — is responsible for identifying potential sources of stress in global financial markets and to promote reforms.

The three-year appointment takes effect Thursday. Carney became the second youngest central banker in Canadian history two-and-a-half years ago, and has been vocal at international finance meetings about the need to reform the global banking system.

His performance in steering Canadian monetary policy through the re-

"Canada has been through a tough economic period and the governor has scored high marks in responding to it."

CIBC CHIEF ECONOMIST
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cent economic downturn, and his advocacy for reform both at home and internationally hasn't gone unnoticed.

In April, Time magazine put Carney on the list of the world's 25 "most influential" leaders, the only central banker to make the grade.

CIBC chief economist Avery Shenfeld said the latest appointment for Carney is both personal and a recognition of Canada's growing stature as a nation with sound regulatory oversight of its financial sector.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Consumer confidence stagnates in June

Even ordinary Canadians have noticed the economy is not recovering as many hoped it would.

In Canada, consumers expressed increased pessimism on all four measurements in the index — current finances, future finances, employment expectations and purchase intentions.

"The drop cancels out all the gains realized in May," said the Conference Board, an Ottawa-based think-tank. "However, the pessimism is not spread

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The Conference Board says its consumer confidence index fell 5.7 points this month and now sits 13 points below where it stood at the beginning of the year.

across the country. The drop in confidence was concentrated in two regions (Ontario and British Columbia), while the re-

mainder of the country fared much better."

The drop in the index reflected more cautious economic data in the past month or so after six months of robust growth.

Recently, Statistics Canada and other economic watchers have reported sharp drop-offs in the growth of housing, auto sales and exports, along with lower employment growth as well as outright declines in wholesale and retail sales.

Leaders at last week-

end's G20 summit broadly agreed on policies they say will set the world on a path to more balanced and sustained growth. But markets were not impressed the day after the summit Monday, and were outright nervous yesterday.

Conference Board economist Todd Crawford said some consumers in Canada may have become more pessimistic because of the barrage of negative news over the European debt crisis.

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Just sayin'

PAUL SULLIVAN



Here's to Sebastian Albrecht, who set a record this week for climbing the Grouse Grind 14 times.

Everyone in Vancouver knows about the grind. It's called "Nature's Stairmaster" and it's basically a path up the side of Grouse Mountain in North Vancouver, a vertical ascent of 2.9 kilometres. And it's tough, man.

Sebastian Albrecht is tougher. He started at 6:30 Monday morning and finished at 11 p.m., eclipsing his old record of 13. Presumably, next year he will have a go at 15.

You're probably thinking Sebastian Albrecht is nuts. Why doesn't he just bang his head against the wall? It feels just as good when you stop?

But I understand. For the past 33 years, I've run marathons, which are 42-kilometre road races. I have survived more than 20 of these horizontal grinds and have trained thousands of miles around the world. I've left a trail of sweat on the cobblestones of Paris, run rings around the plane trees of Hyde Park, left footprints on the sand of countless beaches, and at one point, ran (as fast as I could) through the homes of East L.A.

"I could feel the warmth of the sun on my head; I could smell the flowers; I could see what was going on around me."

For guys like Sebastian and me, the point is there is no point. It's the journey that counts. At the end, we look back at the miles we've logged and feel a sense of accomplishment, but the real benefits are found along the way. Two-thirds of North Americans are overweight. It's hard to be overweight when you climb 2.9 kilometres times 14, or run 42 kilometres. Then there's that runner's high, which happens when you stop.

You just put one foot in front of the other and go. It's ideal for people who can't do the Macarena, i.e. me.

Normally, I would celebrate Sebastian Albrecht's achievement in the usual way — go for a 20-km run. But I did something unusual the other day. I went for a walk. Instead of running through the world, I walked in it — and it was a revelation.

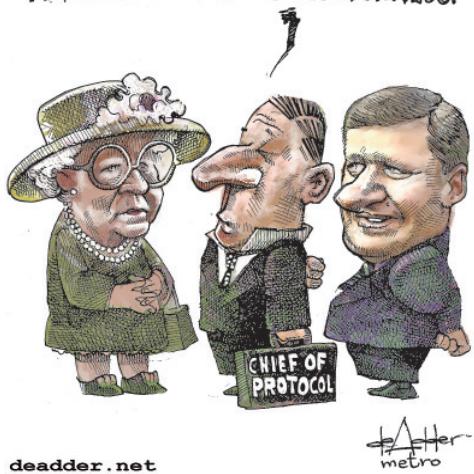
I could feel the warmth of the sun on my head; I could smell the flowers; I could see what was going on around me. Normally, when I run, the rest of the world is stuff that gets in the way. People are pylons.

As Arsenio Hall used to say, it makes you go hmmmm. Maybe I've been running ... away. Maybe it's time to stop and ask what I'm running from instead of what I'm running for. Just drop the M and shuffle the O and R. It changes everything.

Maybe Sebastian is nuts after all.

Cartoon

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Noteworthy

Octopus goes out on eight limbs

Octopus oracle Paul hesitated, but ultimately picked Germany to win — again — this time over Argentina in their quarter-final matchup at the World Cup Saturday.

Paul rose to global fame after he correctly predicted

all four of Germany's games in this year's tournament.

Sea Life Aquarium spokeswoman Tanja Munzig in the German city of Oberhausen said Paul took about an hour before he approached a water glass in his aquarium containing a mussel and marked with a Germany flag.

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Society bears the cost

Letters & Tweets

TORONTO. I live in Toronto, but was not part of the G20 protests. Watching the media coverage, I am wondering whether or not I should have been.

Our civil rights are defined by what happens in a crisis. Without a crisis, there isn't any social cost to civil rights.

Civil rights exist to limit what can be done during a crisis. The point of civil rights is that on certain issues, society must bear the cost.

It's easy to let someone have a slice of bread when you're sitting on a mountain of loaves. But you can't say that person has a right to bread until you're

The blue wall



down to the last slice, and you either hand it over or don't.

After all, what use are civil rights that can be violated when you actually need them? Saying you have civil rights so long as you don't need them — or don't use them — is the same as saying you don't have them.

Finally, the assault on civil rights that occurred

in Toronto over the G20 summit was not the fault of the individual police officers present. Or, at least, it was not their fault in general terms.

To lay appropriate blame, we need to know exactly who was giving the officers their orders. Those are the people we should be protesting about.

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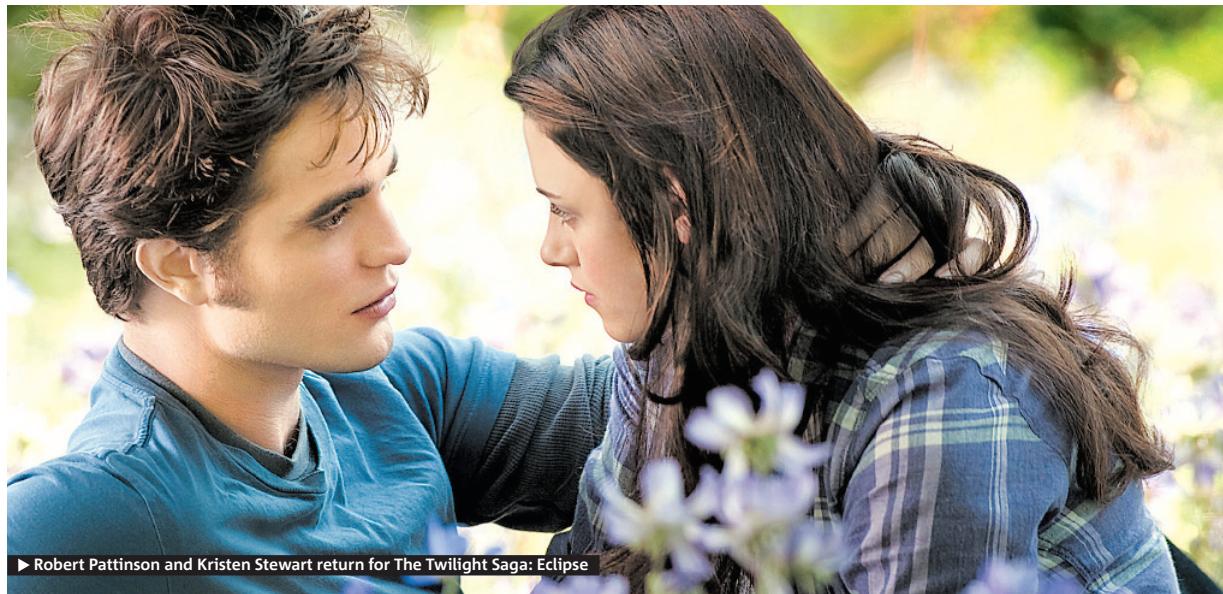
News in brief



1 Rob Lowe is working on his memoir to be out in May 2011. **METRO**

2 Hip-hop star Method Man pleads guilty to a tax-evasion charge. **METRO**

3 Joe Jackson ends bid to receive monthly stipend from Michael's estate. **METRO**



► Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart return for *The Twilight Saga: Eclipse*

Eclipse of the heart

Latest instalment in *Twilight* movie franchise is the best yet **1** New Director David Slade ups the action **2** Vampires and werewolves must work together to protect Bella



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► The Twilight Saga: Eclipse
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The third film in the *Twilight* series — out of an eventual five — is the best to date, but that's faint praise considering the previous two instalments, *Twilight* and *New Moon*.

The main cast's continued work in their now-iconic characters as well as new director David Slade's camera work make *Eclipse* a marked improvement, but the film is stunted by its source material. The lesson here appears to be

Screentimes

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that practice sometimes makes mediocre.

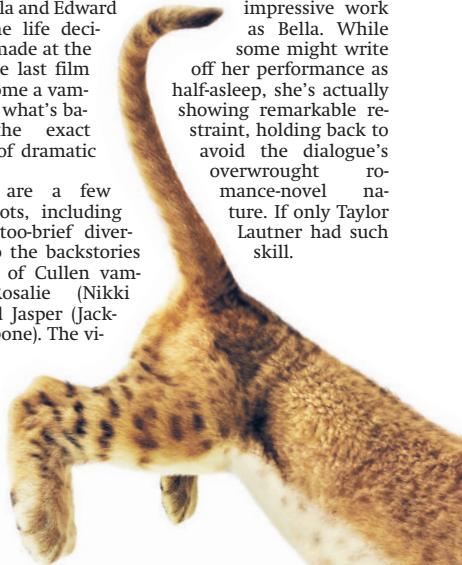
It's not really Slade's fault. He does his best, adding actual action sequences with brutal beatings — though no blood, since these vampires are PG-13. With the

threat of a growing army of newborn vampires (which are more vicious, we're told) amassing to threaten the life of mopey protagonist Bella (Kristen Stewart), the other two corners of her love triangle, vampire Edward

(Robert Pattinson) and wolf-boy Jacob (Taylor Lautner), have to try to get along and convince their respective communities to work together. All the while, Bella and Edward debate the life decision she made at the end of the last film — to become a vampire — in what's basically the exact opposite of dramatic tension.

There are a few bright spots, including some all-too-brief diversions into the backstories of a pair of Cullen vampires, Rosalie (Nikki Reed) and Jasper (Jackson Rathbone). The vignettes are stirring and sweeping and suggest

much better films to watch. And the go by far too quickly. Also worth noting: It's becoming clear that Stewart has quietly been doing some impressive work as Bella. While some might write off her performance as half-asleep, she's actually showing remarkable restraint, holding back to avoid the dialogue's overwrought romance-novel nature. If only Taylor Lautner had such skill.



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Crisis, clubs and creativity

- ▶ Scissor Sisters released its third studio album, *Night Work*, this week.
- ▶ It has been four years in the making but it has been worth the wait.

 LOUISE
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On the table is a large see-through plastic bottle. A thick yellow liquid ripples when Jake Shears puts it down on the table. The unmistakable lead singer in Scissor Sisters with the large blue eyes and the always brash, happy clothes contorts his face.

"It's a pretty disgusting banana-flavoured protein shake," says the 31-year-old Shears.

He has to be ready to conquer the world with disco rhythms and dance pop, because Scissor Sisters have just released its eagerly-awaited album *Night Work*.

"We just wanted to release a good album and sometimes it just takes a long time to make something good," Shears said.

It took almost four years. Actually it was so hard for the band they threw out two almost-finished albums.

"We wrote *Night Work* in a couple of months last summer, and it happened really fast. And that's how it should be. We had so much fun making it, and then we realised that it felt right."

JAKE SHEARS



▶ Jake Shears of the Scissor Sisters moved to Berlin to get inspiration for his new album

"I didn't feel like releasing an album just to release something. I wasn't sure what it was all about or what the message was. So it was better just to throw it all out and start over," Shears said.

The dance-happy sisters were bored with their routines. The band wanted something new to happen, so lead singer and songwriter Shears fled from New York to Berlin to get some new inspiration and to have fun.

"I could feel that something had to happen. If I continued to sit in the studio every day feeling weighed down we would never make a good album," Shears said.

"In the end I felt like an old lady! I was 30 years old and hadn't been out on an adventure

Scissor Sisters

The band consists of lead singer Jake Shears, lead singer Ana Matronic, bass player and keyboard player 'Babydaddy' (Scott Hoffman) and guitar player Del Marquis.

▶ Scissor Sisters formed in 2001 and sprung from New York's club scene and gay

since I was a 21-year-old backpacker."

Shears settled down in a "shitty" flat in the Kreuzberg area and for a few months he invaded the city's night clubs and networked with other musicians such as Joel Gibb from Hidden Cameras, Ru-

milieu.

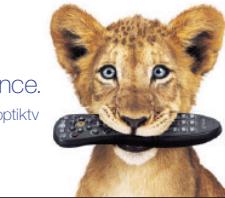
▶ They play a mixture of disco, glam rock and party-like pop music with obvious inspiration from bands such as Abba and the Bee Gees.

▶ In 2004 they released the album *Scissor Sisters* with tracks *Take Your Mama* and *Laura*. In 2006 came the album, *Ta-Dah* with super hit *I Don't Feel Like Dancing*.

fus Wainwright and Olof Dreijer from The Knife.

"It was fantastic, there was so much creativity and loads of interesting people to hang out with," Shears said.

And when he returned to New York he had a rucksack full of inspiration.



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Story of Love Ranch stranger than fiction

- ▶ Helen Mirren teams with director husband for brother-boxing drama

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A stranger-than-fiction real-life story gets a less-than-compelling dramatic treatment in *Love Ranch*, which marks the first time that director Taylor Hackford has worked with wife Helen Mirren since 1985's *White Nights*.

Mirren plays Grace Contempo, the part-owner and full-time madam of the titular establishment, a modest — and legal — Nevada brothel circa 1976. Grace's husband Charlie (Joe Pesci) delights in taunting anybody who impugns his legitimate house of ill repute.

Charlie decides to finance the comeback of a semi-washed-up boxer, Bruza, (Sergio Peris-Mencheta), whom he thinks can eventually topple Muhammad Ali — and

who quite unexpectedly takes a shine to Grace, who has been employed as his manager.

Believe it or not, the Contempos are stand-ins for a real-life couple: Joe and Helen Conforte, whose stewardship of the Mustang Ranch in Reno ended in headline-grabbing scandal in 1976. But the action still feels implausible, particularly the rushed, strangely perfunctory romance between Grace and Bruza.

Mirren commits to her part, but can't redeem the thudding obviousness of the character's arc, while Peris-Mencheta is defeated by the sentimental demands of his noble-bruiser role.

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Cooking up a recipe for a magical story

► Aimee Bender's new novel, 'The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake,' follows a young girl who suddenly discovers she can feel what she eats

 DOROTHY ROBINSON
METRO WORLD NEWS

In Aimee Bender's beautifully titled book, *The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake*, the main character, Rose, has a special (if not debilitating) gift. Every bite of food she takes, she tastes the emotions of the preparer — be it a machine, a chef, a cook, or, especially harrowing, her own mother. How did she come up with that plot twist? Bender shared some food for thought.

It's always been known that writing in the voice of a young child is hard, and yet you do so with Rose when she is nine and discovers her gift when she eats her mother's lemon



► Author Aimee Bender

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cake. Was that difficult?
Well, I sort of made up a rule that with her voice, she's looking back at her memories, so the moments are at once in a kid's per-

spective and at once in a young adult's perspective. That's my way of cheating.

People use the term "magical realism" to

describe your writing. Do you agree with that designation?

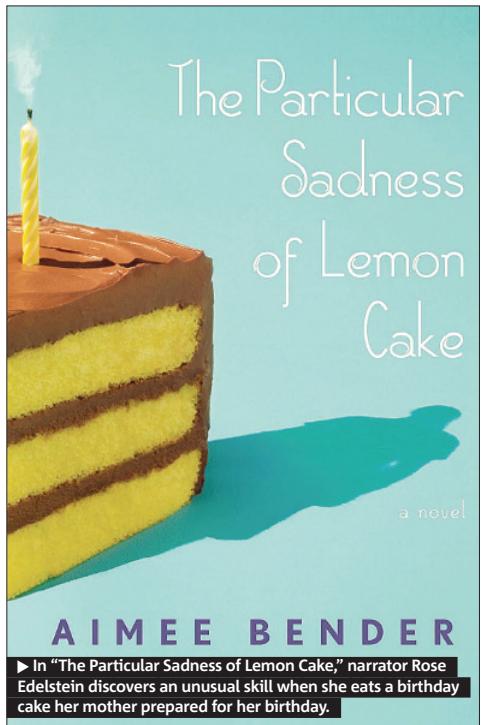
I'm fine with that term. But the terms keep shifting! It can be magical realism and maybe it's fabulism or slipstreams. It's like watching the clouds go by [laughs]. But I'm happy to take them all or none or whatever.

How would you describe your work, then?

I guess I say there's something off-kilter or it's a skewed world or that I go through a side door. But sometimes I'll say magical realism. I do think magical realism is done in a more epic sweep and (my work) is more of a microscopic lens.

How did you get the idea of Rose's gift?

I think I was toying with what might be in food besides food. And what might be carried from



AIMEE BENDER

► In "The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake," narrator Rose Edelstein discovers an unusual skill when she eats a birthday cake her mother prepared for her birthday.

one person to another? It had shown up a few different times [in my writing]. One friend said something about feelings as something to digest and that made a correlation in my mind.

Do you like to cook?
I really like to cook. But I'm not a particularly proficient cook.

So, no lemon cake?
I don't bake much. I tend toward the savory.



Enjoy the Ride.

Creepy or funny?

► Author David Bickel captures the 'unintentionally creepy' aspects of everyday life ► Who was actually too much of a 'creeposity' to include

 MADELINE REDDINGTON
METRO WORLD NEWS

Sometimes things are just creepy. They aren't exactly scary, but they just don't feel right — store mannequins with faces that look a little bit too real, or that person next to you on the subway who either has a Bluetooth hidden somewhere or is having conversations with invisible people.

With his first book, *Creeposity: A Hilarious Guide to the Unintentionally Creepy*, TV writer and producer David Bickel provides the final word on all things creepy.

"I first got the idea for the concept when I was a little kid," he says. "My mother had one of those

"My mother had one of those Styrofoam wig heads, and it always creeped me out."

DAVID BICKEL



Monocles

Creeposity index: 7.23

el is an expert in all things creepy and hilarious. Plus, the Facebook page and website for Creeposity have tons of fan submissions.

"Everybody has things that they see as creepy," Bickel reasons. "Now, it's OK to say it out loud!"

The one creeposity that he couldn't include was Michael Jackson, who died while Bickel was putting

the book together.

"I've met him," Bickel says. "I had an hour-and-a-half meeting with him once, and it was magical, fascinating. You're sitting there with Michael Jackson, it's crazy. He's got a piece of Scotch tape to hold his nose on — it was everything you wanted it to be. But there's no denying — maybe the creepiest person of all time."



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Hairless cats — a sight you can actually use to punish small children

Bravo debuts an extra-long *Runway* season

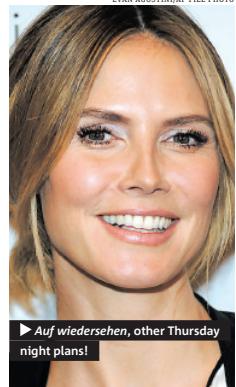
► Project Runway will be 90 minutes when the show returns July 29 ► That's 30 more minutes of Heidi

A bigger Project Runway is coming to a television near you.

Host Heidi Klum says each episode will be 90 minutes when the reality show returns July 29 on the Lifetime network. That's 30 minutes more drama each week — and that's just how Klum likes it.

"We did get always a few complaints from people that they wanted to see a little bit more, which we were obviously very excited about," she said in a phone interview. "So now we have half an hour more."

That means 30 minutes more drama each week,



EVAN AGOSTINI/AP FILE PHOTO

which this season is set to include ample tears and ambulance visits for three

contestants who collapsed on the set.

"We never had that happen before," Klum said.

Now in its eighth season, the show pits aspiring fashion designers against each other for a \$100,000 cash prize to help them launch their own clothing line and a fashion spread in Marie Claire magazine.

Klum said the designers keep the show interesting.

"We are not like other shows where we are styling them to look a certain way or feeding them lines," she said. "It's all real, and people like that."

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Jeannie, unbottled



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Barbara Eden says she's been bottled up long enough.

The 75-year-old former star of *I Dream of Jeannie* is writing a memoir to be published by Crown Archetype.

Crown Archetype Vice-President Tina Constable

says Jeannie Out of the Bottles will be published next spring.

She said yesterday in a statement that "it's time for me to pop the cork and talk about the amazing people I've been fortunate enough to meet along the way."

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TV watch list

Shop till you drop

CASH OR CREDIT? Travel meets design, meets surreptitious marketing in *Man Shops Globe*. Season two debuts with retail buyer Keith Johnson on the hunt for unique decorative pieces for the high-end fashion store Anthropologie. Each half-hour episode is set in a different city with Johnson scouring flea markets and bazaars for unusual objects. (Sundance Channel) ■ METRO NEWS SERVICES

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his regular duties on The Office since its premiere. He recently starred with Tina Fey in the comedy feature Date Night, and many of his comments on his TV future were voiced while publicizing his latest release, the animated comedy Despicable Me.

► Actor Steve Carell



ready to concentrate on movies. And maybe he's got the box-office juice to pull it off.

Also, as he told Entertainment Weekly, "I just want to spend more time with my family." (In February, he told The Associated Press, "I would like for my kids to at least have some familiarity with who I am: 'It's the man from TV!'")

That may all be hunkydory for Carell. But whether The Office and the viewers who love it?

Adapted from the original, British "mockumentary" series starring and co-created by Ricky Gervais, NBC's The Office was transplanted to U.S. soil in the city of Scranton, Pa., site of a regional office of the Dunder Mifflin paper company.

Now maybe he's truly

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Carell is ready to clean out his desk

Following seven successful seasons, The Office star is resigning from the NBC workplace comedy next year

Can Dunder Mifflin keep the lights on if actor Steve Carell leaves The Office after next season?

Carell, who plays dunder-headed regional manager Michael Scott on NBC's popular workplace comedy, has been voicing plans to resign his starring role and clean out his desk a year from now.

"When I first signed on, I had a contract for seven seasons, and this coming year is my seventh," he told E! News last weekend. "I just thought it was time for my character to go."

Of course, if this were actually the first move in a game to wangle a sweet new deal, Carell wouldn't be the first actor to try it. (Paging Charlie Sheen!)

On the other hand, Carell has juggled an active if uneven film career with

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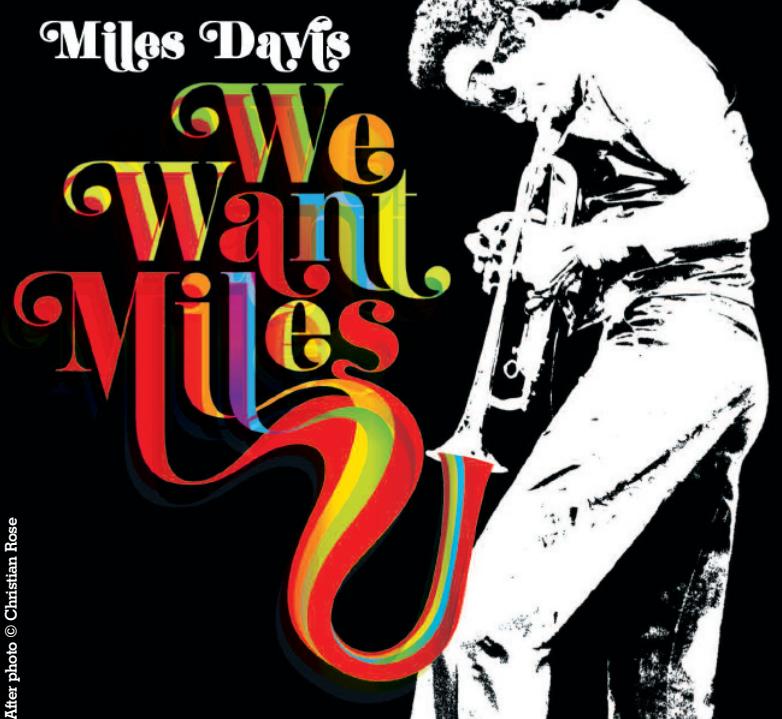
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► Dorky David Silver gets the last laugh as he marries the hottest girl in town ► Bet he can't wait for his high school reunion now

Megan Fox and Brian Austin Green were married last week during a top-secret wedding ceremony in Hawaii, according to Star magazine. "They had a fairly large wedding, but there were clearly more security people than guests," a source says. "They had so many security people that they had to call in local security because the hotel security alone wouldn't do. It was very hush hush. Everyone was sworn to secrecy." The couple tied the knot at the

Four Seasons Hualalai on Hawaii's big island, and they're reportedly still at the hotel celebrating their honeymoon.

Wedding bell speculation ran rampant last week, after several media sources reported that the former 90210 star had flubbed his proposal to the beautiful starlet by dropping her 2-karat engagement ring in the sand. The couple had initially traveled to Hawaii to attend the wedding of Green's former co-star Ian Ziering.

This is the second marriage attempt for the on-off pair: they called off their first engagement in 2009.

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Official curb-kicking of Jesse James now complete

Sandra Bullock's marriage to Jesse James is officially over, according to TMZ.



Sources tell the website that both parties signed papers last week in Texas. Bullock in April, their marriage "has become insupportable because of

that make the divorce final. According to the divorce papers filed by discord or conflict of personalities."

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Wolves only, please

Though her character may choose a vampire over a werewolf in the Twilight series, Kristen Stewart knows which creature she

prefers in real life. The actress' family keeps wolf-dog hybrids as pets, she revealed to David Letterman.



"He's really sweet. He, like, falls at my feet," she says of the family's oldest pet, Jack.

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Do like the locals will do



Get naked: Reykjavik's thermal pools contain a minimal amount of chemicals, meaning that the city maintains a strict protocol on pre-swim procedures. The biggest warning—you must shower naked before getting into the pool. Check out the step-by-step guide provided at visitreykjavik.is.



Party Hearty: Not all of Reykjavik's heat is found in pools. The city's nightlife has become legendary, and it's widely regarded as one of the world's best party destinations—especially in the summer, when the midnight sun shines. On the weekend, things don't get cranked up until after midnight, and many bars stay open until six in the morning. Don't miss Kafibarinn, a mega-popular club owned by Gorillaz frontman Damon Albarn, NASA, the city's largest dance club, or Boston, where the party goes all night long.

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► The Blue Lagoon, Iceland's most popular attraction, attracts more than 400,000 visitors each year.

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Reykjavik: This city—the world's northernmost capital—is dotted with about a dozen geothermal pools, places where naturally-warmed waters provide a place for swimming, relaxation and socializing



Laugardalslaug: The city's largest pool lets you pick your pace—swim some warm laps in the Olympic-sized swimming pool, twist down the fun little waterslide, or just chill in one of the several hot pots (each of which is heated to a different temperature).

WONDER FALLS
Iceland is home to some of the most gorgeous waterfalls in the world. North of Reykjavik, Hraunfossar, which means literally lava falls, is a series of flossy-white cascades which flow directly out of a jet-black lava field.

Nautholsvik Geothermal Beach: This ring of golden sand (reportedly flown in from Morocco) hosts two hot pots, but the big attraction is ability to swim in a part of the Atlantic that's just a wee bit south of the Arctic Circle

TIM JOHNSON

Fire and ice shows in Iceland

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Earlier this year, as most of us remember, Iceland's Eyjafjallajokull volcano erupted, spewing ash all over this small island nation and creating a massive cloud that closed airports and grounded flights all over Europe.

While it was an extraordinary situation, volcanic eruptions and intense geothermal activity are business as usual in Iceland—which routinely puts on a

80%

Amount of land covered by glaciers, and lava fields

beautiful but sometimes dangerous display of fire and ice.

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After that, head to the boiling geothermal area that includes Geysir and Strokkur, two active geysers. Other hot springs can be found all over Iceland, but the biggest is Deildartunguhver, the largest in Europe, flowing at a rate of 180 litres per second—turning all the water in

the area (from river to hot pots) into a seething, steaming expanse.

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Iceland is home to some of the most gorgeous waterfalls in the world. North of Reykjavik, Hraunfossar, which means literally lava falls, is a series of flossy-white cascades which flow directly out of a jet-black lava field.

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► Michael Jackson, from his days as part of The Jackson 5

Motown memories

- Detroit museum honouring Jackson 5 on anniversary of MJ's death
- Having sold over 100 million records, they're second only to the Beatles

A Jackson 5 exhibit is now on view at the Motown Historical Museum in Detroit, marking the one-year anniversary this week of Michael Jackson's death.

Photographs, awards and costumes are all on

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display in the show, which

opened yesterday.

Museum chief curator Lina Stephens says the exhibit celebrates the life of Jackson and acknowledges the Jackson 5's "contribution to the Motown story."

Jackson died June 25,

2009. The circumstances surrounding his death still remain a mystery.

You can find out more information about the display at motownmuseum.com.

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Pittsburgh theme park receiving tall praise

For a city built on steel, some of the most sought-after attractions in Pittsburgh are actually made of wood.

Just ask the more than 400 members of the American Coaster Enthusiasts, who have come to Kennywood amusement park for the 7,000-member group's annual convention. The highlight will be riding three of the oldest wooden roller-coasters in the world — over, and over, and over again.

"There are very few, maybe no places, in the world quite like it," said Bill Linkenheimer, the group's secretary.

It marks the first time the American Coaster Enthusiasts will honour two coasters at one park with plaques designating them ACE Roller Coaster Landmarks.



The rides — the Jack Rabbit and the Racer — were both built of wood in the 1920s by coaster designer John Miller. The Jack Rabbit is known for its 21-metre double-dip drop, while the Racer is the only single-track racing coaster in the U.S. left standing.

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Opera singer taps into passion for beer

Canada lost a budding opera singer when Mirella Amato switched careers to become a beer sommelier.

Four years ago, while living in Naples, Italy, the Toronto soprano had to make a choice between spending all her time overseas performing or returning to Canada.

She chose the latter so that she could pursue her desire to learn as much as possible about craft beer.

The term "craft beer" is used to describe beer made by relatively small, independent breweries using traditional methods.

"Beer was already a passion for me," says Amato, 35, and was very much a hobby she was involved in.

She had learned valuable freelance and performance skills as an opera singer, and she says she carried those into her new calling.

Amato says she spent that first year in 2006 exploring the beer industry, talking to brewers, taking courses, reading books and magazines and learning as much as possible about the local business.

"At the end of that year it became clear that the best thing I could do was spread the word and help people discover the huge variety of brews and their flavours," she says.

Amato also joined the Canadian Amateur Brewers Association and began working toward certification as a beer judge in 2007.

"Besides judging, my other work is aimed at getting people excited about small-batch beer and providing the tools for them to navigate the selections and start exploring."

Amato is focusing her attention on beer tastings and food pairings. "And I am also adding staff training and consulting to my business," she says.

In September, the bilingual Amato who has a French-Canadian-Italian



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"My passion for craft beer stems from the fact that I like to shop locally and support small businesses."

MIRELLA AMATO, BEER SOMMELIER

background, will be teaching a two-year brewmaster program at Niagara College in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont. "I will be giving courses on sensory evaluation and teaching about the rich history, chemistry and biology of beer," says the graduate of Montreal's McGill University.

As a certified judge, Amato has participated in a number of competitions including the Ontario Brewing Awards, the Canadian International Beer Championship and homebrew competitions in Canada and abroad.

She writes regular columns for the beer magazine TAPS and the Great Lakes Brewing News.

"My passion for craft beer stems from the fact that I like to shop locally and support small businesses," Amato says.

"And I like to use Ontario beers in my guided tasting sessions as much as possible because it's great to discover a new product that is made locally and can be bought fresh."

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It's Mr. ham & cheese

► Sourdough bread sets the stage for this decadent open-faced croque monsieur with tomato sandwich. ► What's more, basil leaves make it summer fresh!

Ingredients:

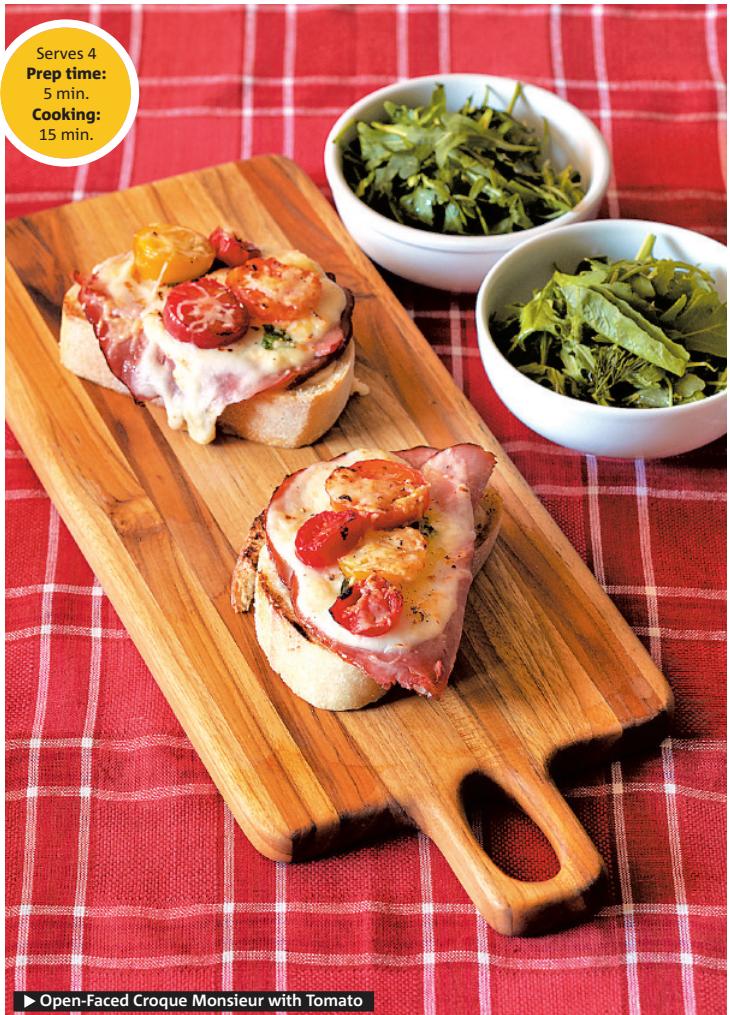
- 4 slices sourdough bread
- 2 Tbsp unsalted butter
- 2 Tbsp all-purpose flour
- 1 pinch nutmeg
- 1 1/4 cups milk
- 1 cup finely grated Emmenthal or Gruyere cheese
- 4 slices black forest ham
- 8 basil leaves
- 4 small tomatoes, sliced

Serves 4
Prep time:
5 min.
Cooking:
15 min.

Preparation:

- 1 Preheat oven to 400°F.
- 2 Arrange bread in a single layer on a rimmed sheet pan and toast in oven, flipping once, until golden brown, about 8 minutes. Remove from heat, keep toast on sheet pan and set aside. Preheat broiler to high.
- 3 Meanwhile, in a saucepan set over medium heat, melt butter. Add flour and nutmeg and stir with a wooden spoon for 1 minute. Gradually whisk in milk and cook, stirring, until mixture comes to a boil and thickens, about 2 minutes.
- 4 Add 1/2 cup cheese, stir well and season to taste with salt and freshly ground black pepper. Spread a thin layer of cheese sauce (about 1 tablespoon) over each slice of toast.

- 5 Cover with a slice of ham, followed by another even layer (about 3 tablespoons) of cheese sauce. Arrange basil and tomato slices on top of cheese sauce, season tomatoes with salt and



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► Open-Faced Croque Monsieur with Tomato

pepper and sprinkle with remaining 1/2 cup cheese.

- 6 Place under broiler, 6 inches from heat and cook until sauce is bubbling and cheese is golden brown, about 6 to 8 minutes.

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METRO WORLD NEWS

Since the days of squawking modems and AOL trial-runs, the Internet has been credited with fantastic gains in workplace productivity —but what about gains in counter-productivity?

For all its wonders, isn't the technology equally responsible for countless daytime hours squandered scrolling through status updates and comment sections?

Research on whether office Internet access encourages procrastination is surprisingly mixed. Last year, a University of Melbourne study found that nine-to-fivers who spent around a fifth of their workday browsing for leisure were actually more productive than those who didn't.

But according to Dr. Tim Pychyl, a time management researcher at the

To cut down on dilly-dallying, researchers recommend "batching" your leisure browsing into one 20-minute binge every hour or two.

Quoted:

"If you get to a point where your use of the Internet is keeping you at your desk too long, or is interfering with relationships, or is causing you to miss deadlines, then that's a problem."

DR. TIM PYCHYL

Googling that you're not even aware of it.

"When you're at your computer, you feel like you're working," notes Generation Y career guide Lindsey Pollak. "So even if you're playing on Facebook or online shopping, you can almost trick yourself into thinking you're not procrastinating."

To cut down on dilly-dallying, researchers recommend "batching" your leisure browsing into one 20-minute binge every hour or two.

"I'll work straight for an hour, and at the end of that hour, I'll batch all my Facebook checking, Twitter and whatever I need to do for 15-20 minutes," Pollak says.

And once the 20 minutes are up? Quit the browser, turn off the AirPort Card, even unplug the Ethernet cable and tie it into a Gideon's knot if necessary.

"Get as radical as you need to be," Pollak suggests.

You may be so busy self-



Take a break

"It's healthy to take breaks, to get up, walk around, get something to eat, then check Facebook," Pollak says. "There's a huge benefit of walking around and chatting with people, and that's almost becoming a lost art."

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C-Students take heed

► Do good grades in college mean huge success later in life? ► What Vonnegut and Gates have in common

 **BRUCE WALSH**
METRO WORLD NEWS

In 1984, a team of researchers led by Cleveland State professor Gordon E. Samson combed through 35 independent studies and found very little, if any, correlation between GPA and "income, job satisfaction and effectiveness."

Educators have been scratching their heads ever since. A great many studies have since been commissioned on this topic and, while findings vary some,

"It's a high degree of motivation, formed by a conscious decision. That's what Colin Powell had."

AUTHOR JEFFREY J. MATTHEWS

what, no one has found a very strong correlation between grades or success after college.

This may provide a ray of hope to students currently making up a course in summer school. Kurt Vonnegut, Bill Gates, Woody Allen and Colin Powell were all in your shoes too. And there's plenty more.

La Salle University professor Dr. Katie Neary Dunleavy, who studies the classroom behaviour of students and professors, says it's all about what experts in her field refer to as "learning orientation versus grade orientation."

"The (heavily learning-oriented) student probably won't use a study guide ... But, they are great to speak with interpersonally, they often have more of a grasp on the ideas in class."



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Vonnegut on grades



Kurt Vonnegut

► Kurt Vonnegut, notorious for underachieving as a college student, often graded his novels in interviews and in print. In his collection of essays, *Palm Sunday*, he provides his own literary report card. Here are just a few:

- Player Piano: B
- Slaughterhouse-Five: A+
- Breakfast of Champions: C
- Palm Sunday: C
- "This is much better than I ever did in college," Vonnegut told Charlie Rose in a 1996 interview. "How well did you do?"
- "Not that good," replied Rose.

MULTIPLIER OR DIMINISHER?

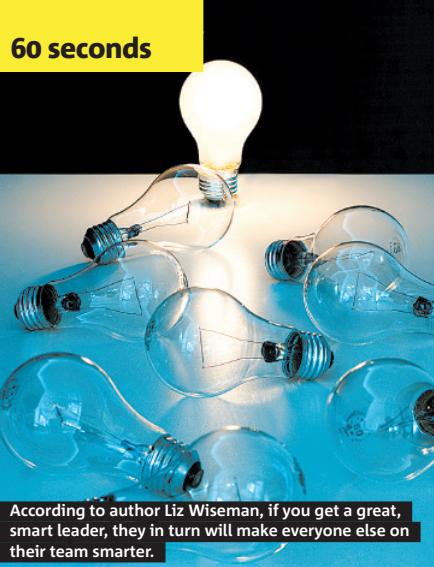
"WHY DID THEY MAKE OTHER PEOPLE NOT FEEL AS SMART AS THEY WERE?"

Just what separates a good leader — someone who inspires others — from a bad one (someone who does the exact opposite)?

Author Liz Wiseman calls these bad leaders "diminishers" — rather than "multipliers." In her new business book of the same name, Wiseman explains how you can become the boss people love to follow.

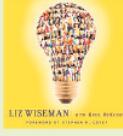
How did you come up with the concept for "Multipliers"?

It was through observation. Where I used to work and worked closely with the executive teams. They were extremely intelligent people and had contagious smarts; however, some of them used their intelligence to dumb down others. I saw that and I just wondered "Why? Why did they have



multipliers

HOW THE BEST LEADERS MAKE EVERYONE SMARTER



to make other people not feel as smart as they were?" What is an easy way for someone to find out what kind of leader they are?

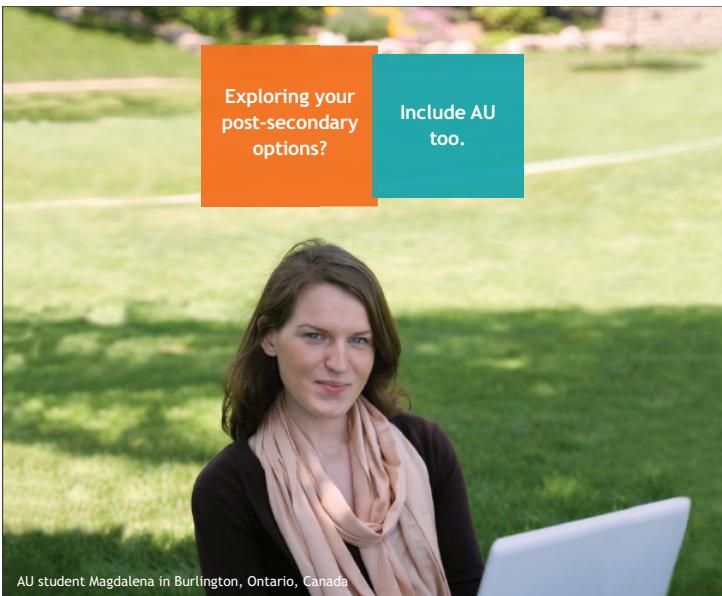
Well, an easy way would be just to ask those you work with, "How am I doing?" It's a simple question, but if you do think that you might be a diminisher, it may be best to conduct that sur-

vey (anonymously) so that there isn't any animosity. However, if you think you're a multiplier, you will probably be better doing a face-to-face conversation so you have the ability to reduce any tension.

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Door open to instant replay?

Upon further review, soccer's governing body now agrees that something must be done about the blatant missed calls that have infuriated fans and players alike at the World Cup. Just what that something is, though, won't be dealt with until after the tournament in South Africa is over.

A high-tech solution is possible, but it probably would address only that most egregious of refereeing mistakes: Whether or not the ball crosses the goal-line. Even putting the idea on the table, however, is a concession for an organization that has long insisted that errors by officials are part of the game.

FIFA president Sepp Blatter said yesterday changes will be considered, and he has apologized to the English and Mexican teams, both of which were victims of bad calls Sunday.

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Villa sinks Portugal

► Spanish star scores winner off a rebound late in contest ► Ronaldo fails to spark offence for Portugal ► Spain now faces Paraguay

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► Spain's David Villa scores his side's only goal past Portugal's Eduardo.

David Villa finished off a move of Spanish perfection to finally break down Portugal's defensive wall yesterday, giving the European champions a 1-0 win and a spot in the World Cup quarter-finals.

Villa scored his fourth goal of the tournament in the 63rd minute, while Cristiano Ronaldo again failed to inspire Portugal.

"It was one of my best goals because it got us through to the next round," Villa said. "Keep scoring so we can keep going."

Portugal's only defen-

sive weakness had been on its right flank, where Ricardo Costa struggled. He was sent off for elbowing Joan Capdevila in the 89th minute, stifling a late Portuguese drive.

"The match was extremely intense," Spain coach Vicente del Bosque said. "In the second half, we were better than Portugal. We had greater depth in our play, and we controlled the game very well."

Spain will now play Paraguay in the quarter-finals Saturday at Ellis Park.

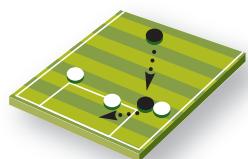
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The lone goal

David Villa's late marker proved to be the winner.

► A trademark Spanish passing move found Andres Iniesta in the centre. He flicked the ball through to Xavi Hernandez, who back-heeled to Villa, who was bordering on being offside as he charged in on the left.

► Villa saw his first shot blocked by Portugal goalkeeper Eduardo, but on the rebound, he coolly



slotted home with his right foot.

Goal: Spain, David Villa 4, 63rd minute.

Shots: Spain: 19; Portugal: 9.

Yellow Cards: Spain: Xabi Alonso (74th); Portugal: Tiago (80th).

Red Cards: Portugal: Ricardo Costa (89th).

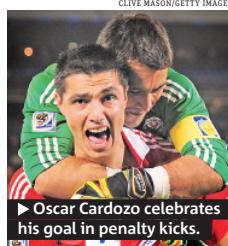
Offsides: Spain: 0; Portugal: 3.

Fouls: Spain: 13; Portugal: 18.

Historic victory for Paraguay

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The Paraguayans have conceded only one goal, against Italy in the first round. On the flip side, their strikers have yet to record a goal in four games at the World Cup.



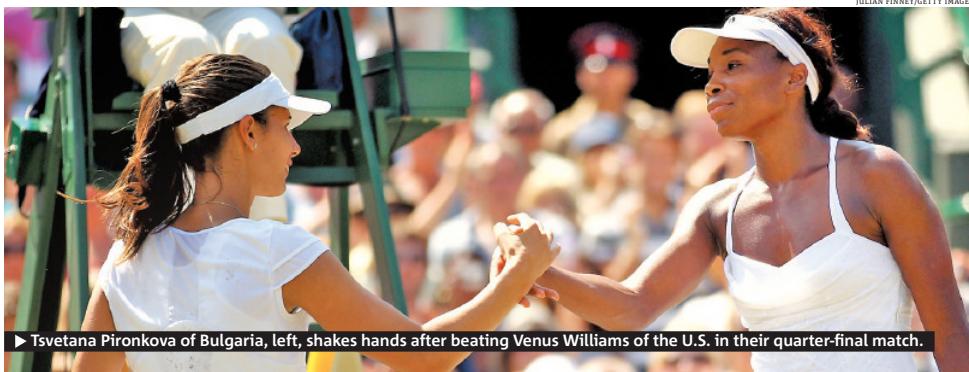
► Oscar Cardozo celebrates his goal in penalty kicks.

The last thing Paraguay wanted was to wind up in a shootout with Japan. After all, the South Americans almost never practise penalty kicks — or have any success when they do.

Yet Paraguay took the most difficult route to its first World Cup quarter-finals yesterday. After 120 exhausting minutes without

scoring, the Paraguayans found their touch in penalty kicks, making all five to beat Japan.

Oscar Cardozo clinched the 5-3 shootout win after a 0-0 draw with a low left-footed drive past goalkeeper Eiji Kawashima. The only miss in the shootout was by Japan defender Yuichi Komano. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Venus suffers major upset at Wimbledon

► No. 82 ranked player from Bulgaria knocks out American star at Wimbledon ► Loss means Williams won't face her sister in final

There will be no all-Williams final at Wimbledon this year.

Defending champion Serena has a good chance of playing for her fourth title Saturday, but big sister and five-time winner Venus will be a spectator this time.

Venus was ousted in the quarter-finals yesterday, losing 6-2, 6-3 to 82nd-ranked Tsvetana Pironkova of Bulgaria. Venus, seeded second, had reached the Wimbledon final in eight of the past 10 years.

This time, she was undone by a slew of unforced errors and

double-faults in her worst loss at Wimbledon in terms of games won — five.

In another surprise, 21st-seeded Vera Zvonareva of Russia rallied past two-time U.S. Open winner Kim Clijsters 3-6, 6-4, 6-2 to reach her first Wimbledon semifinal, where she will face Pironkova.

Serena Williams avoided the wave of upsets, beating China's Li Na 7-5, 6-3 and moving closer to her 13th Grand Slam championship.

The top-seeded Serena had 11 aces to take her tournament total to 73, breaking the record of 72

she set last year. She had 21 winners and just six unforced errors.

"I always serve well at Wimbledon, but this is the first time I've ever served this well so consistently," Serena said.

Her semifinal opponent is 62nd-ranked Petra Kvitova of the Czech Republic, who saved five match points before beating Estonian qualifier Kaia Kanepi 4-6, 7-6 (8), 8-6.

"I'm very happy," said the 20-year-old Kvitova, her voice shaking. "I can't believe it. It's something incredible."

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Pironkova

More about Tsvetana Pironkova.

1 The 22-year-old Pironkova is the lowest-ranked player remaining in the women's draw.

2 Pironkova became the first woman representing Bulgaria to reach a Grand Slam semifinal in the Open era.

3 Pironkova also beat Venus Williams in the first round of the Australian Open in 2006.

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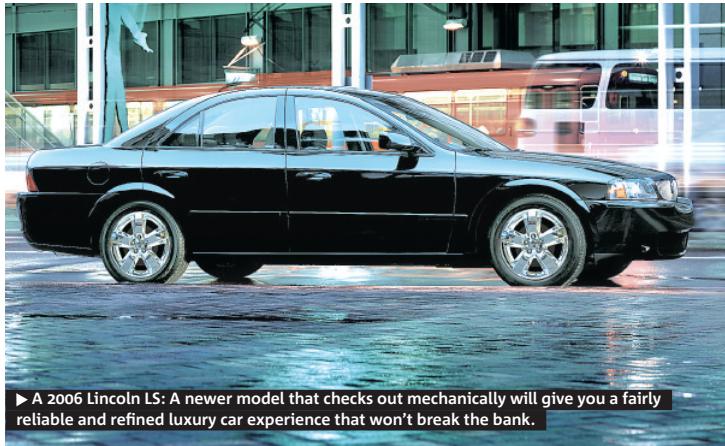
Both six and eight-cylinder engines were available, as was a rare manual transmission on the smaller engine.

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The LS was facelifted and powered-up for a 2003 update, after which point it carried on until 2006 before being replaced by the Zephyr—which is now called the MKZ.

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luxury sedans from Germany and Japan.

Features included a CD changer, THX audio system, power sunroof, dual-zone climate control, a motorized tilt/telescopic steering wheel and a full complement of airbags. Xenon headlights were available, too.

Shoppers considering the Lincoln LS for its

styling, ride quality and relative affordability should avoid earlier models and opt for as new a unit as their budget allows.

What owners said

What they like: LS owners praise the styling, handling, ride, power and pricing. The THX stereo system is said to be excellent, too.

What they hate: Com-

plaints from LS owners were few and far between, though some gripes exist about poor fuel economy with the V8 engine.

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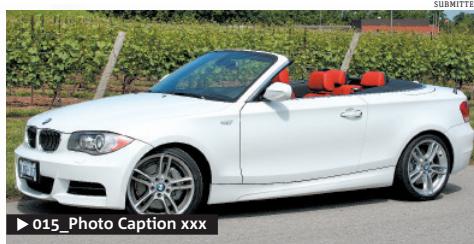
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BMW 135i Cabriolet proves to be the One

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With summer in full swing, a week behind the wheel of a 2011 BMW 135i Cabriolet proved just the ticket. While its bigger brother, and mechanically similar 335i Cabriolet uses a complex retractable hardtop, the One sticks with the tradition light-weight fabric lid. Good call. It operates in 22 seconds and can perform its mechanical ballet at up to 40 km/h, taking the worry out of those stop light retractions. It also leaves a usable 260 litres of space in the trunk. Yes, BMW's diminutive



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drop top may look cute as a puppy, but the "35" designation on its rump indicates formidable performance.

Put your foot in it and your toupee will be flitting down the road behind you faster than you can blurt, "Fraulein, mien rug!"

With a base price of

\$48,500, this rear-drive premium compact packs the latest version of BMW's 300 hp 3.0L straight-six (N55), now with a single twin-scroll turbo, Valvetronic throttleless intake technology and its 300 lb.-ft. of twist available at a lower 1200 r.p.m.

CARGUIDE MAGAZINE

Adding packages adds dollars

As with most premium European cars, the bottom line swells dramatically as you check those option boxes. The Executive Package (\$3,950) adds heated steering wheel, garage door opener, proximity key, auto dimming interior mirror, powered memory seats with lumbar, and Boston leather.

The M Sport package, at \$1,900, is a must in my view, with 18-inch M double-spoke alloys and performance runflats, meaty M steering wheel and shift knob, and width adjustable sport seats.

CARGUIDE MAGAZINE

No price increase for 2011 Outback

Subaru Canada, Inc. (SCI) has announced pricing for the 2011 range of award winning Outback models, even with enhanced equipment, will carry over from the previous model year.

For the new model year, Subaru introduces a new Convenience Package that's standard on the Outback 2.5i and includes folding exterior mirrors and voice-activated Blueconnect Bluetooth system for hands free cellphone connectivity. In addition Subaru has added a new front bumper under-guard to the Outback 2.5i Sport Package.

For a complete list of models, options, and pricing, go to subaru.ca.

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Enriched technology



Keep your car air flowing free

- Make sure the condenser is free of any obstructions, such as leaves or insects
- Examine all A/C system hoses for cuts and weak spots

Hours spent in a hot, stifling vehicle can spoil a weekend getaway or vacation. Conducting a periodic under-hood inspection may help you spot air conditioning problems before they spoil your trip.

Here's what to look for:

1. Are A/C component mounting bolts in place and tightly secured?

2. Are caps installed on the A/C system service ports? This keeps out dirt, and also provides a seal for refrigerant?

3. With the engine running, does the compressor clutch engage when the A/C is switched on? If it doesn't, this usually indicates a low



► Keeping your A/C tuned will keep you cool this summer

(or empty) refrigerant condition, or an electrical problem. Also, listen for rapid clicking or cycling noises at the compressor when the A/C is switched on. If this is

happening, it could also indicate low refrigerant or some other problems. Have it checked by your service technician. (Note: Some A/C systems prevent compressor

clutch engagement in low temperatures, typically at or below 40 degrees F.)

4. With the engine running and the A/C switched off, listen for knocking or rumbling sounds in the vicinity of the compressor. These could indicate a failing compressor clutch, and/or loose mounting hardware.

5. Check all belts for cracks, wear, and glazing.

a belt that needs to be tightened, or a defective automatic belt tensioner.

Note: Always be extremely careful any time you're under the hood while the engine is running. Stay away from all rotating components with your hands, clothing, and hair, and always wear eye protection around a running engine.

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Meet MyFord touch

► New colour-coded control technology will be available on the majority of Ford's nameplates within five years to help drivers manage information coming into car

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As cars get more complicated, designers have a problem: Making it easier for people to work them. When drivers have only seconds to look away from the road, controls must be easy to understand and operate.

For Ford, that means the new MyFord Touch.

Starting in the Ford Edge, Focus and Lincoln MKX, where it's called MyLincoln Touch, the technology will be available on the majority of

Ford's nameplates within five years.

"It's really about managing the information that's coming into the car," says Paul Aldighieri, user interface designer for Ford. "That information could be very traditional, such as climate control, or things that are brought in, like managing an MP3 player or phone, or even potentially beamed in, like the Net."

Colour-coding is an easy way for users to quickly understand information. The four corners of the MyFord Touch screen

guide the driver: yellow for telephone information, green for navigation, blue for climate control, and red for entertainment.

"The colours were chosen on a colour wheel, but we had a couple of things that helped inform us," Aldighieri says. "We wanted navigation to be green because that's the colour of our highway signs, so it made sense, while climate is blue because blue is the colour typically associated with coolness."

As its name suggests, MyFord Touch doesn't use traditional controls, instead relying on touch-sense buttons that work when a finger comes in contact with the surface.

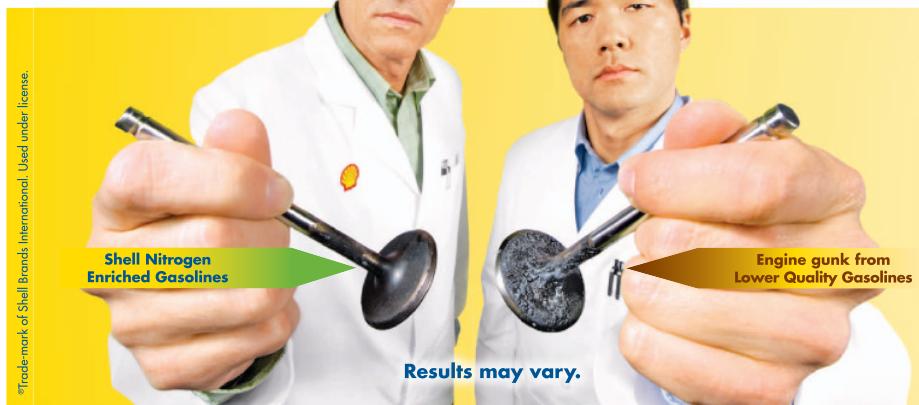
"We're not as constrained as with the mechanics of a traditional switch," Aldighieri says. "It doesn't have to be flat, and it doesn't have to provide 'landing areas' between the buttons that we traditionally have to provide."

"If you think about the iPhone, as an example, there's quite a bit of control and display, but there's only one button on the surface, and lots of points of interaction. It's part of being approachable, and you can be much more free when you present the controls."

The system supports Ford's voice-activated SYNC control, allowing users to speak a variety of commands.



► MyFord Touch relies on touch-sense buttons and supports Ford's voice-activated SYNC controls.



QUESTION: TO REBATE OR NOT TO REBATE?

Auto Pilot

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I'm not much of a political animal and tend to stay clear of discussions on how to spend the public money.

The obvious exception, of course, is when it directly concerns moi! For example, I would totally raise my voice in favour of subsidies to encourage more vinyl re-issues of early 1970s arena rock.

Even though we're not currently looking to add a vehicle to our family fleet, I'm still completely drawn into the discussion of whether governments should offer rebates to customers wishing to purchase electric (EV) and/or 'plug in' hybrid (PHEV) vehicles.

The discussion ramped up recently, because come July 1, 2010 (yes, Canada Day), several provinces (Ontario, B.C. and PEI) will no longer offer rebates toward purchases of "regular" hybrids.



This was brought on because their current programs were based on rebating provincial sales tax (PST), and the HST replaces the PST in those provinces on Canada Day.

We have yet to hear how most provinces will change their green-car rebates moving forward, but we sure did hear from Ontario.

It introduces what just might be the largest electric car rebate — up to \$8,500 — of any jurisdiction in the world.

The maximum benefit of \$8,500 exceeds similar electric vehicle rebates from the U.S., Quebec or upcoming U.K. programs, noted Ontario MTO spokesperson Bob Nichols.

The Ontario program is designed to be a point of purchase incentive; many other jurisdictions, including Quebec and the U.S. are income-tax based programs. We feel that reducing the price differential of these new vehicles from

Debating

rebating

For green vehicles

- Raises profile of green cause
- Accelerates greening of the fleet
- Incentive for more, and

conventional vehicles at the point of purchase will encourage more consumers to adopt this strategy."

Well, it certainly won't discourage people from buying EVs and PHEVs, but is this the right strategy for greening the fleet, stimulating domestic EV manufacturing, and a good use of public money? Unfortunately the answer to those questions can only come in the fullness of time.

There are great arguments, both for and against green rebates (see

quicker, automaker involvement

Against green vehicles

- Funds better served somewhere else
- Prematurely anoints electric as top green prospect
- Initial production of EV and PHEVs already virtually sold out

sidebar), but the one that keeps gnawing at me the most, is that the automakers are already committed to building these vehicles.

I'm sure they haven't planned on letting them go unsold on dealer lots, or watching their competition walk away with this new, emerging market.

Let them compete, I say, against all other EVs and PHEVs, and against all other types of vehicles, and let the best team win. Or maybe I'm watching too much World Cup soccer at the moment.



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News in brief

Kia Sorento 'top safety pick'

Joining the 2010 Forte compact sedan and 2010 Soul urban passenger vehicle, the 2011 Sorento compact utility vehicle has been recognized as a "Top Safety Pick" by the U.S. Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) in the midsize SUV category when built after March 2010.

Sorento, which went on sale earlier this year, received the organization's top honour by earning "Good" ratings (the highest achievable) in

frontal, side, rear and rollover impact crash safety tests.

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Lincoln MKZ hybrid most fuel-efficient hybrid

Lincoln's first-ever hybrid, the 2011 Lincoln MKZ Hybrid, is now officially the most fuel-efficient luxury sedan in North America with an EPA-certified (US) 41 mpg rating in city driving and (US) 36 mpg on the highway.

The 2011 Lincoln MKZ Hybrid's final fuel economy certification was completed this week, and the vehicle will carry an EPA label of 41 mpg for city driving and 36 mpg on the highway when it goes on sale this fall.

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All about colour

 **JUSTIN PRITCHARD**
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Ever wonder how carmakers come up with the colours available for your next ride? So have we.

Justin Pritchard gets some answers from Ford's paint expert, Jon Hall. The lead designer of colours and materials at Ford, Hall explains how colour offerings are decided, which colours are the most popular.

Where do available paint colour selections come from? Who decides which colours are available?

Colour selection is led by our design team, but we have lots of input and resources to draw from in making those choices. Most importantly, we have a group with expertise in automotive design, fashion, interior design, textiles, art, and even technical product experience.

We have information to help us keep abreast of such industries as fashion, automotive and other industrial design.

Also, information comes from many worldwide trade shows for things like furniture, interior design, and materials.

How much does brand image have to do with the colours available on certain models? Why can't I get a Lincoln MKZ painted in bright yellow?



► Ford's paint expert, Jon Hall, talks about the science of colour

Colours are evaluated for how well they fit with certain brands and designs.

You might be perfectly happy with a bright yellow Lincoln, but through our research and dealer committees we are able to gauge that an exotic colour would not appeal to the majority of Lincoln customers.

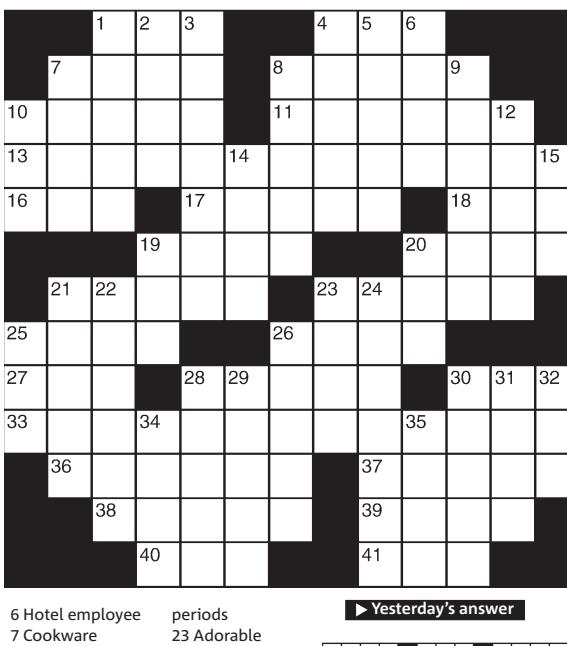
We want colours that fit right to the vehicles that customers see on the road and in our dealerships,

and colours that are desirable and beautiful as well.



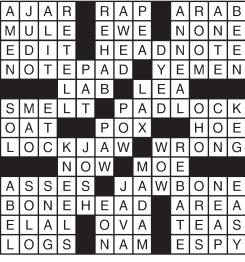
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 18 Siesta
 19 Slithery
 20 Some paintings
 21 Mesa —
 National Park
 23 "Odyssey"
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 25 Philbin's
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 26 Family member
 27 Lennon's lady
 28 Exiles
 30 Water (Fr.)
 33 Puts up holly,
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 4 Church donation
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► Yesterday's answer

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 10 Recipe meas. Name Is — Lev"
 12 Do, re, mi, fa, 28 Wicker willow
 sol, la, ti, do 29 Say
 14 Bargain event 30 Plaintive poem
 15 Some GI duties 31 Pond organism
 19 Historic time 32 Can. neighbor
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 21 Tarzan's trans- nemesis, at times
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 22 Geological tate (Var.)



Today's horoscope

Aries March 21-April 20 The higher you aim the more you will accomplish this week, and the more you accomplish the more you will feel good about yourself and life in general.

Taurus April 21-May 21 Don't sit around thinking about what might have been — get out into the world and do something special. The next few days are going to be crucial to your emotional and mental well-being.

Gemini May 22-June 21 You may not much trust a particular person but what they have to tell you today is important, and deep down you know it is true.

Cancer June 22-July 22 Today clear your mind of irrelevant details and allow you to start mov-

ing forwards again. Be brave, be bold and above all be ready to act when opportunity comes knocking.

Leo July 23-Aug. 23 It is impossible for you to fail (almost), so the more risks you take this coming week the more you could accomplish. Don't just aim to be good, aim to be the very best.

Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Today you can quite easily charm your way past other people's defenses. Say nice things and you'll get even more nice things in return.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Only you know how much effort you have put into your work and only you know how much it has

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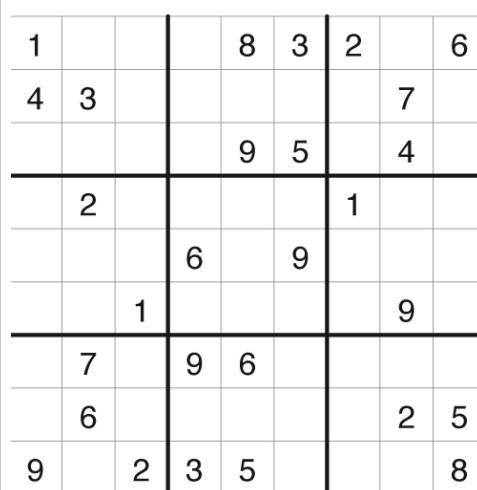
taken out of you. You've trumped everyone's expectations, so reward yourself with a vacation.

Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Focus on the important tasks that have to be finished over the next few days and don't let other people side-track you with their personal problems. Even romantic relationships must take a back seat.

Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Jupiter, your ruler and planet of plenty, will bring out the best in you over the next few days. The higher you aim the more likely it is you will succeed, so don't hold back.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Major changes are possible, but

Sudoku



How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9 only once. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ►



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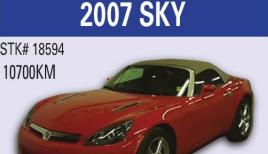
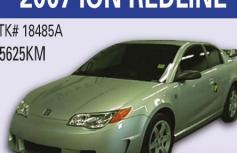
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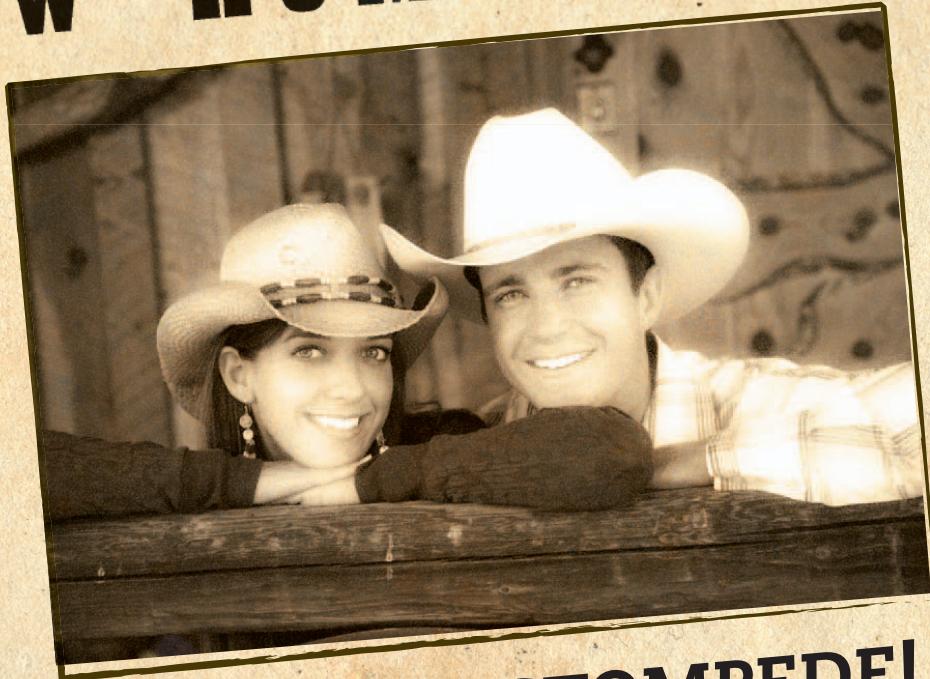
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